

CTF - KOA COMMANDER'S SITREP

TIME PERIOD ENDING: 292359 (Z) JULY 05

1. **COMMANDER'S SITREP:** TOTAL NUMBER OF PATROLS AND NUMBER OF JOINT PATROLS CONDUCTED WITH AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY (ANA), AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE (ANP), AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES (ASF), AND AFGHAN BORDER POLICE (ABP).

	ECHO	FOX	GOLF	WEAPONS	H&S	TOTAL
US ONLY	0	0	4	3	2	9
W/ANA	2	0	0	0	0	2
W/ANP	0	0	4	4	0	8
W/ASF	5	0	0	0	0	5
W/AMF	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	0	8	7	2	24

2. **ENEMY ATTACKS ON ANA, ANP, AND ASF PERSONNEL, GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND KEY INFRASTRUCTURE:** N/A.

3. **CURRENT, ONGOING, AND PROJECTED OPERATIONS:** THE BATTALION CONTINUES TO FOCUS OPERATIONS IN AREAS IDENTIFIED AS SECURITY CONCERNS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION THUNDER FREEDOM AND OPERATION DETERMINED THUNDER RESOLVE. THE BATTALION ALSO HAS ONGOING OPERATIONS IN THE KORENGAL AND PECH VALLEYS, DAWLET SHAH AND ALISHANG VALLEYS. CTF KOA FORCES CONTINUE PATROLLING OPERATIONS IN THE KORENGAL VALLEY, KUNAR PROVINCE ISO OPERATION RED WINGS II. CTF KOA HAS SHIFTED ITS PLANNING FOCUS TO THE UPCOMING ELECTION AND A BATTALION (-) SIZE OPERATION IN THE KUNAR PROVINCE.

H&S CO: H&S CONTINUES THEIR SECURITY MISSION WITH LOCAL PATROLS IOT SECURE THE AREA AROUND JALAL ABAD AIR FIELD WHILE CONTINUING FORCE PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOB.

ECHO CO: 1ST PLATOON, WITH ANA PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION FOR EOD AND RECOVERED A WEAPONS CACHE, PECH DISTRICT, KONAR PROVINCE. 1ST PLATOON WITH ASF PROVIDES FORCE PROTECTION FOR PRT CIVIL AFFAIRS TEAM - A IN KORENGAL VALLEY. AS PATROL WAS MOVING NORTH TO LINK UP WITH CAAT - B, THEY RECEIVED EFFECTIVE DIRECT AND INDIRECT FIRE, FROM CREW SERVED WEAPONS, IOV TOWN OF KANDAGAL, PECH DISTRICT, KONAR PROVINCE. THEIR ONE CASUALTY WAS THEIR FOREIGN NATIONAL INTERPRETER. 2ND PLATOON HAS MOVED TO KORENGAL VALLEY TO REINFORCE 1ST PLATOON'S PATROL BASE. 3RD PLATOON REMAINS ON FOB SECURITY. CAAT B WITH ASF REINFORCES ECHO 1. CAAT A CONDUCTED A RE-SUPPLY FOR 1ST AND 2ND PLATOON. E5A RECOVERED A WEAPONS CACHE IVO CAMP BLESSING BASED OFF A LOCAL INTEL REPORT.

FOX CO: FOX 3, 81S AND FOX L BEGAN OPERATION BOCA RATON IN THE ALISHANG VALLEY IN THE LAGHMAN DISTRICT.

GOLF CO: GOLF 1 RECONNOITERED POLLING SITES IN HISARAK DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE IOT SUPPORT SECURITY FOR UPCOMING NAPCE. GOLF 2 AND GOLF 3 CONDUCTED SSE AND IED TRAINING WITH FBI INSTRUCTORS ABOARD PRT IOT SUPPORT FUTURE OPERATIONS.

WHISKEY CO: W CO- 1ST PLT CONDUCTED A MOUNTED PATROL ON THE JALALABAD-KABUL ROAD CHECKING THE VCPS ALONG THE ROAD, FOUND OVER 100 JINGLE TRUCKS PARKED IN THE SUROUBI VEHICLE STATION IN CONTRAST TO THE SCHEDULE PUBLISHED FROM KABUL. 4TH PLT CONDUCTED MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED SECURITY PATROLS IN THE CITY OF JALALABAD IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING SECURITY ASSESSMENTS ON SEVERAL OF THE POLLING SITES FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS IN JALAL ABAD DISTRICT 1, NSTR.

4. ASSESSMENT OF LAST 24HRS. THE ENEMY GROUND WING SEAMS
 THAT (b)(1)1.4(c) THE LINK BETWEEN (b) (6) AND (b) (6) IS
 (b) (6)

5. ASSESSMENT OF MAJOR EVENTS OR FIGURES/ORGANIZATIONS AND HOW YOUR OPERATIONS IMPACT OR ARE IMPACTED BY THEM. IF GOVERNOR Wafa turns out to be either ineffective or pro-ACM it will be time to have him removed from office. He has already assured us forces that the Pech River Road is safe just hours before the IED strike of 24 July, meaning that he either has little knowledge of his AO or he is allowing ACM to operate in his province.

6. ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ATTITUDE OF THE POPULATION. No significant change noted in any province. An increase in ACM activity could sway public opinion either way, as it may cause death of local nationals or destruction of their property.

7. CURRENT OR FORECASTED CRITICAL SHORTFALLS AND WHAT ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED OR REQUESTED.

7. A. Support is requested to improve the operational reach of TF KOA along the Pech River Road. The PRTs and TF KOA continue working together in the following areas:

- Force Protection
- Jingle Truck Tracking
- Improvements to the Abad to Blessing Road
- Update to the Peace Papers
- BFT COC hard drives crashed during role name upgrades. The parts are being shipped from Kuwait.
- BFT text messaging is continuously problematic across AO KOA. BFT reps have not been able to resolve.

B. TF KOA will request (b)(1)1.4(g), (b) (7)(f).

8. ASSESSMENT OF NEXT 24-96 HRS:

24 - (30 JUL 05):

GOLF 1 will continue to reconnoiter polling sites in Hisarak, District IOT support security for upcoming NAPCE. GOLF 2 will conduct sustainment training IOT support future operations. GOLF 3 (-) will escort MT contact team to GOLF 1 IOT support GOLF 1 operations. GOLF WEAPONS will attend weekly JEOC coordination meeting at ANP HQ. GOLF 5 along with SGT Storm will attend head master engagement at Nangarhar Hotel. GOLF 6 will attend meeting with HWY patrol, ANP, and ABP officials to discuss route 1 security and address corruption issues regarding illegal checkpoints and thefts of materials aboard coalition jingle trucks. ECHO company 1st platoon conducts contact patrols to the last known enemy location to gain contact IOT fix enemy forces. 2nd platoon reinforces 1st platoon to establish a patrol base IOT allow 1st platoon to conduct decisive patrol. 3rd platoon remains on FOB security. 2nd platoon provides force protection element to PRT for mounted patrol to city of Asad Abad, Watapor District, Kunar Province. FOX company continues operation Boca Ratón in the Alishang Valley, Laghman Province. Whiskey 1st platoon will conduct a mounted patrol on the Jalal Abad-Kabul road checking the VCPS along the road IOT confirm that all the jingle trucks which had been held at the Suroubi stop have been allowed to flow to their destinations. 2nd platoon will conduct joint mounted and dismounted patrols in Kuz Konar District in addition to conducting polling site assessments. 4th platoon will conduct joint mounted and dismounted patrols in the city of Jalal Abad in addition to conducting polling site assessments in Jalal Abad District 1.

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48 - (30 JUL 05): H&S CONTINUES THEIR SECURITY MISSION WITH LOCAL PATROLS IOT SECURE THE AREA AROUND JALAL ABAD AIR FIELD WHILE CONTINUING FORCE PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOB. WHISKEY, ECHO AND GOLF COMPANIES CONDUCT SECURITY AND RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS IN THE VICINITY OF THE POLLING SITES WITHIN THEIR BATTLESPACES IOT GATHER INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY THREATS TO THE POLLING SITES. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY, KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR OPERATIONS WHALERS AND DEVIL FREEDOM. FOX COMPANY CONTINUES OPERATION BOCA RATON. BATTALION CONCLUDES MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL THE FOBS (PENDING REPAIR PARTS)

72 - (31 JUL 05): GOLF, WHISKEY, AND ECHO COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF POLLING SITE SECURITY. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. FOX COMPANY CONCLUDES OPERATION BOCA RATON. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

96 - (1 AUG 05): ALL COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF POLLING SITE SECURITY. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

FUTURE: CONTINUE TO DEVELOP INTELLIGENCE PICTURE ON AREAS NORTH AND WEST OF THE CONFLUENCE OF THE PECH AND KUNAR RIVERS IOT TO SUPPORT FUTURE BATTALION OPERATIONS. THIS WILL GO CONCURRENTLY WITH THE COMPANY'S RECONNAISSANCE OF THE POLLING STATIONS, CONSTRUCTION OF PCCS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ELECTION SECURITY PLANS. THE BATTALION WILL PROVIDE A BACK BRIEF ON CACHE RECOVERY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION DETERMINED HARVEST AND HAS ALREADY BEGUN RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

INFORMATION OPERATIONS/PEACE PAPERS: H&S COMPANY HANDED OUT ALMOST 1000 PEACE PAPERS AT THE MEDCAP; HOWEVER, IT WAS STILL A BACK ISSUE. REQUEST UPDATED ISSUES OF THE PEACE PAPERS.

9. ANA: 1/1/201 KANDAK: HHC, 2ND CO & WPNS CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AT ABAD AND CONDUCTED MULTIPLE PATROLS TO GATHER INTELLIGENCE, SHOW PRESENCE, MOVEMENT TO CONTACT AND JOINT PATROL WITH 2/3 MARINES. 3RD CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AND QRF FOR JALAL ABAD AND GUARDED DDR HEAVY WEAPONS CANTONMENT AREA, PATROL WITH 2/3 MARINES. 1ST PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION NARAI.

10. PERSONNEL:
(62 OF THE 1053 REPORTED WERE U.S. ARMY ATTACHMENTS WHO DETACHED 29JUL05 PER FRAGO 208 CHANGE 1)

OFFICER	ENLISTED	TOTAL
56	933	991

11. COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

DIPLOMATIC: TF KOA SPOKE WITH GOV Wafa ON 29JUL05 IN RESPONSE TO THE TIC IVO THE KANDAGAL BRIDGE, PECH DISTRICT, KONAR PROVINCE. GOV Wafa STATED THAT HE COULD NOT TALK BUT WOULD ATTEMPT TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH TF KOA WHEN HE TRANSITS THROUGH JALAL ABAD WHEN RETURNING FROM KABUL. THERE WILL BE A COORDINATION MEETING ON 31JUL05 AT THE GOVERNOR'S PALACE BETWEEN COALITION FORCES AND THE HEADS OF ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED IN ROADSIDE CHECKPOINTS IOT FIX THE FUEL TRUCK SITUATION IN THE PROVINCE WITH THE CHIEF OF BORDER POLICE FOR AFGHANISTAN.

INFORMATION: TF KOA REQUESTS AN OPERATIONAL LEVEL IO CAMPAIGN PLANS AGAINST (b) (6) AND ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING GUANTANAMO BAY AND THE DETENTION OF ATANTS. REPORTING IN THE TAOR INDICATES THAT ACM ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE RIOTS, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE USING GUANTANAMO BAY AS A "REASON".

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MILITARY: ECHO CONTINUES SECURITY OPERATIONS IVO THE KORENGAL VALLEY IOT PURSUE ACM IN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 29JUL05 AMBUSH. FOX CONTINUES PATROLLING OPERATIONS IN THE ALISHANG VALLEY. GOLF AND WHISKEY COMPANIES CONTINUE TO PATROL IN NANGARHAR IOT DEVELOP THE ANA AND ANP'S CAPABILITIES WHILE FOCUSING ON THE DISRUPTION OF ILLEGAL VCPS ALONG HIGHWAY A1. TF KOA REQUESTS THROUGH DEVIL AND THE CJTF TO OSC-A / TF PHOENIX THAT FUNDS BE ALLOCATED IOT SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 31ST KANDAK IN KUNAR PROVINCE. THE DIRECT IMPACT OF THE LACK OF FUNDING TO THE ANA ETT'S IS THE FOLLOWING:

1) BN STRENGTH CONTINUES TO DROP; ETT'S SUSPECT THIS IS DUE TO POOR LIVING CONDITIONS. SOLDIERS BATHE AND DEFECATE IN THE RIVER ADJACENT TO THE FOB SINCE THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH FACILITIES FOR THEM AT CAMP FAYZ. MANY LIVE OUTDOORS WITH NO SHELTER FROM SANDSTORMS OR RAIN.

2) THERE ARE ONLY ENOUGH SHOWERS AND LATRINES FOR ONE COMPANY IN ASAD ABAD, EVEN THOUGH 3 COMPANIES ARE HOUSED THERE. A REQUEST TO EXPAND THESE FACILITIES IS OVER 5 MONTHS OLD. TF KOA IS ATTEMPTING TO MITIGATE THIS BY HOUSING 1 CO(-) AT CAMP WRIGHT (ABAD), BUT THIS EFFORT WILL NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM

TWO COAS EXIST:

1) MOVE THEM TO THE DDR FACILITY OF THE 9TH DIVISION AT ASAD ABAD WHILE CONCURRENTLY USING FUNDS TO UPGRADE THAT FACILITY;

2) HAVE OSC - A / TF PHOENIX GET THE ETTS SOME MONEY SO WE CAN TAKE CARE OF THE SOLDIERS THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTION OF B-HUTS.

ECONOMIC: NSTR.

12. OPERATIONAL REMINDER: YOU HAVE BEEN PUT IN YOUR BATTLESPACE TO HUNT THE ENEMY. YOU CAN HUNT HIM BY GATHERING INTELLIGENCE, APPLYING NON KINETIC AND KINETIC FIRES. DO NOT BE DISTRACTED FROM THIS ENDEAVOR.

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